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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: By Chairman Mike Jopek, on January 13, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Jopek, Chairman (D)

Rep. Edward B. Butcher, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Julie French, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Russell Bean (R)

Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)

Rep. John Fleming (D)

Rep. Timothy Furey (D)

Rep. Brian Hoven (R)

Rep. David Howard (R)

Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)

Rep. Margaret MacDonald (D)

Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)

Rep. Lee Randall (R)

Rep. Keith Regier (R)

Rep. J. David Roundstone (D)

Rep. Janna Taylor (R)

Rep. Bob Wagner (R)

Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)

Staff Present: Todd Everts, Legislative Branch

Marshall McEwen, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 100, 1/8/09

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 100

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:20 Rep. Cheryl Steenson (D), HD 8, opened the hearing on **HB 100**, Revise composition of mint committee.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:36 Ron de Yong, Director, Montana Department of Agriculture

EXHIBIT (agh07a01)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

<u>Questions from Committee Members and Responses</u>:

00:05:09 Rep. Bean 00:05:28 Mr. de Yong 00:07:08 Rep. Wagner 00:07:42 Mr. de Yong 00:08:31 Rep. Wagner 00:08:47 Mr. de Yong

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:23 Rep. Steenson 00:09:26 Chairman Jopek 00:09:50 Rep. Butcher 00:10:11 Chairman Jopek 00:10:34 Rep. Dickenson entered the room

Agency Presentations:

00:10:40 Mr. de Yong
00:14:03 Rep. Caferro entered the room
00:23:56 Rep. Wagner exited the room
00:30:39 Chairman Jopek
00:30:45 Mr. de Yong
00:31:22 Chairman Jopek
00:31:26 Rep. Dickenson
00:31:39 Mr. de Yong
00:31:52 Joel Clairmont, Deputy Director, Agriculture Development, Department of Agriculture
00:33:34 Rep. Wagner entered the room
00:36:26 Rep. Dickenson

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00:36:52 Mr.
              de Yong
00:37:16 Rep. Dickenson
00:37:20 Rep. MacDonald
00:37:40 Mr.
              de Yong
00:38:12 Chairman Jopek
00:38:18 Rep. Taylor
00:38:30 Mr. de Yong
00:38:56 Rep. Taylor
00:39:29 Mr.
              de Yong
00:40:11 Rep. Taylor
00:40:52 Mr. Clairmont
00:41:08 Rep. Taylor
00:41:30 Mr. Clairmont
00:42:39 Rep. Taylor
00:43:06 Mr. Clairmont
00:43:50 Rep. Taylor
00:44:53 Chairman Jopek
00:44:58 Rep. Caferro
00:45:13 Mr. de Yong
00:46:00 Rep. Caferro
00:46:16 Mr. de Yong
00:46:47 Chairman Jopek
00:46:51 Rep. Hoven
00:47:04 Mr. de Yong
00:47:28 Rep. Warburton
00:47:48 Mr.
              de Yong
00:50:18 Chairman Jopek
00:50:52 Layna George, WHEEL
EXHIBIT (agh07a02)
00:51:22 Rep. Howard exited the room
00:58:16 Chairman Jopek
00:58:28 Jeff Jacobsen, Director, Montana Agricultural
         Experiment Station
01:02:04 Chairman Jopek
01:02:12 Nancy Schlep, Montana Farm Bureau Federation
01:04:11 Chairman Jopek
01:04:25 Rep. Caferro
01:04:40 Ms. Schlep
01:04:46 Rep. Caferro
01:04:53 Ms. Schlep
01:05:37 Chairman Jopek
01:05:39 Rep. Hoven
01:06:18 Mr. Jacobson
01:09:55 Chairman Jopek
01:10:02 Rep. Wagner
01:10:58 Mr. Jacobson
01:14:11 Rep. Wagner
01:14:38 Mr. Jacobson
01:14:46 Rep. Belcourt
01:15:09 Mr. de Yong
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01:17:52 Chairman Jopek 01:18:14 Mr. Everts 01:19:22 Chairman Jopek

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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MARSHALL MCEWEN, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT (agh07aad.pdf)